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ASTHMA SCREENING PROGRAM

“ONE BREATH AT A TIME”



ABOUT US:



The Asthma Screening Program (Sponsored in part by the New York State Department of Health, Office of Minority Health) at The Belle Center addresses the high rates of Asthma in the Buffalo community by developing Asthma management strategies for children residing in Buffalo's West Side through education, screening and at home assessments.

Being screened for Asthma will be a simple procedure that includes filling out a questionnaire and taking a breathing test. All results of the breathing test will be read by an allergist and the results will be provided to the family. After the first breathing test, the Community Health Worker and 2 AmeriCorps members assigned to this initiative will visit the home at a time that is most convenient for the family to help identify and eliminate asthma triggers and to create a “My Asthma Plan” to keep the Asthma under control. Partners include PUSH Buffalo, D'Youville College School of Nursing and Asthma Coalition of WNY.

After a home visit, if the family qualifies they can receive:

- Hypoallergenic pillows
- Bed covering sheet
- Education material
- Constant support of the Community Health Worker to fix problems with the housing environment

All the information collected in this program will be kept confidential by using case numbers rather than names. **NO INFORMATION** will be provided to: the Department of Social Services, US Citizenship, Immigration Services or any other regulatory agency.

OPERATION INFORMATION:

Enrollment Requirement: Children ages 0-16 with asthma.

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